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Cotton Acreage Rebounds

Soybeans planted in Tennessee were estimated at 1.75 million acres, unchanged from 2015. Acres harvested for grain, at 1.72 million acres, were also unchanged from a year ago. U.S. soybean planted area for 2016 was estimated at 83.7 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 83.0 million acres, is up 1 percent from 2015.

Acreage planted to corn in Tennessee was estimated at 870,000 acres, up 90,000 acres from 2015. Acres harvested for grain was estimated at 800,000 acres, up 70,000 acres from last year. The U.S. corn planted for all purposes in 2016 was estimated at 94.1 million acres, up 7 percent from last year. Growers expect to harvest 86.6 million acres for grain, up 7 percent from last year.

Upland cotton acreage in Tennessee was estimated at 245,000, up 90,000 acres from last year's record low acreage of 155,000. The U.S. total upland cotton acreage is estimated at 9.82 million acres, up 17 percent from the previous year.

Farmers in Tennessee intend to set an estimated 12,000 acres of burley tobacco for harvest, unchanged from the 2015 level. Dark fire-cured tobacco acreage set was estimated at 7,400 acres, down 300 acres from the previous year. Dark air-cured tobacco acreage was estimated at 1,200 acres, unchanged from a year ago. Burley producing states acreage for harvest was estimated at 75,900 acres, 4 percent below last year.

Winter wheat seeded acreage in Tennessee was estimated at 440,000 acres, 15,000 acres below the previous year. Acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 390,000 acres, 5,000 acres below 2015. The U.S. winter wheat planted area was estimated at 36.5 million acres, down 7 percent from 2015. Area harvested for grain was forecast at 30.2 million acres, down 6 percent from last year.

Alfalfa hay acreage in Tennessee was estimated at 15,000 acres, unchanged from the 2015 crop. All other hay was estimated at 1.80 million acres, up 50,000 from a year ago. The U.S. all hay acreage was estimated at 56.1 million acres, up 3 percent from 2015.

Planted and Harvested Acres, June 2016 - Tennessee and United States

	Tennessee				United States			
	Planted ¹		Harvested ¹		Planted ¹		Harvested ¹	
	2015 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2016 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2015 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2016 ² <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2015 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2016 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2015 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2016 ² <i>(1,000 acres)</i>
Corn	780	870	730	800	87,999	94,148	80,749	86,550
Cotton ⁴	155	245	140	--	8,581	10,023	8,075	--
Soybeans	1,750	1,750	1,720	1,720	82,650	83,688	81,814	83,037
Wheat, Winter ³	455	440	395	390	39,461	36,538	32,257	30,176
Hay:								
All	--	--	1,765	1,815	--	--	54,437	56,127
Alfalfa	--	--	15	15	--	--	17,778	18,065
Other, All	--	--	1,750	1,800	--	--	36,659	38,062
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>
Tobacco:								
All	--	--	20,900	20,600	--	--	328,650	311,150
Burley	--	--	12,000	12,000	--	--	78,900	75,900
Dark Fire-Cured	--	--	7,700	7,400	--	--	17,850	17,150
Dark Air-Cured	--	--	1,200	1,200	--	--	6,200	5,900

¹ Commodities with planted or harvested estimates not available are denoted by "--". ² Forecasted. ³ Includes area planted in preceding fall. ⁴ U.S. acreage includes American Pima cotton.